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Report on Panel Discussion

“Democratization of AI and Intellectual Property Related Regulations”

(Pre-Event of India AI Impact Summit 2026 to be held in New Delhi 16-20 Feb)

Date & Time: 11 February 2026, 2:30 PM – 4:15 PM IST

Organised by: Innovation Club, ICFAI Law School, in collaboration with IIEC

I. Introduction:

The Panel Discussion on “Democratization of AI and Intellectual Property Related Regulations,” organized on 11 February 2026 at ICFAI Law School, ICFAI University Jaipur, as a pre-event to the India AI Impact Summit 2026, brought together distinguished experts from AI governance, ethics, investment strategy, and intellectual property law. The session commenced with a warm Welcome Address delivered by Dr. Harish Kumar Verma, Dean, ICFAI Law School, who highlighted the growing relevance of artificial intelligence in legal and policy discourse and emphasized the importance of academic platforms that encourage informed dialogue on emerging technologies.

The Pre-Summit on AI India is envisioned as a high-impact academic platform to introduce law students to the rapidly evolving intersection of Artificial Intelligence, Intellectual Property Rights, and regulatory governance. With AI increasingly influencing innovation, creativity, governance, and access to technology, the need to democratize AI while ensuring robust IP protection and accountability has become central to contemporary legal discourse. This panel discussion prepared future legal professionals to understand, question, and contribute meaningfully to AI-driven regulatory frameworks at national and global levels. The panel discussion was moderated by Dr. Tanmay Agrawal, Coordinator Innovation Club to steer timely discussion on contemporary topics. The event explored the expanding influence of artificial intelligence across sectors and the corresponding need for inclusive access, ethical safeguards, and adaptive legal frameworks. It provided students and faculty with a comprehensive understanding of how technological innovation and regulatory systems must evolve together to ensure responsible and sustainable AI development.

II. Panel Talks Proceedings:

A. Democratization of AI

The first panel focused on the democratization of AI and featured Ms. Deborah Webster and Mr. Ademulegun Blessing James, moderated by Dr. Tanmay Agrawal. The discussion examined how AI technologies can be made accessible, inclusive, and equitable across diverse socio-economic and geographic contexts. The panelists emphasized that democratization goes beyond access to tools; it includes transparency, accountability, fairness, and human-centered design. They highlighted the importance of integrating ethical considerations at the



development stage of AI systems to prevent bias, discrimination, and systemic inequalities. Drawing upon global regulatory frameworks such as the EU AI Act, OECD AI Principles, UNESCO AI Ethics Recommendations, and other emerging governance models, the speakers stressed the need for harmonized and cooperative international regulation. The role of responsible investment was also discussed, emphasizing that principled capital and transparent governance structures are essential to building AI systems that are trusted by design and aligned with long-term societal interests.

B. Intellectual Property Issues of AI

The second panel addressed the intellectual property implications of AI-driven innovation and featured Mr. Ramakrishna Damodharan and Mr. Alvin Antony. The discussion centered on the legal complexities arising from AI-generated inventions and creative works. The panelists examined challenges related to inventorship, authorship, ownership, and accountability under existing patent and copyright frameworks. They noted that traditional IP laws remain largely human-centric, creating interpretational challenges when AI systems autonomously generate innovative outputs. Cross-border regulatory differences and compliance obligations were also highlighted, particularly in relation to data protection, cybersecurity, and sector-specific governance standards. The speakers emphasized that IP protection in the AI era must intersect with broader regulatory mechanisms, including documentation of training data, due diligence practices, and governance audits, to ensure lawful and ethical AI deployment.

The panel discussions collectively underscored several critical insights. First, democratization and regulation are not opposing forces but complementary pillars of sustainable AI growth. Inclusive access must be accompanied by ethical design, bias mitigation, and accountability mechanisms. Second, global cooperation and regulatory convergence are increasingly necessary as AI innovation transcends national boundaries. Third, intellectual property frameworks require reinterpretation and potential reform to address the realities of AI-generated outputs while preserving incentives for innovation. Fourth, responsible investment, governance audits, and compliance standards play a pivotal role in shaping trustworthy AI ecosystems. Finally, interdisciplinary expertise combining law, technology, ethics, and policy is essential for navigating the rapidly evolving AI landscape.

III. Outcomes

The panel discussion successfully enabled students to:

- Understand the concept and importance of democratizing AI.
- Identify key IP challenges arising from AI-generated innovation.
- Appreciate global and Indian perspectives on AI regulation and governance.
- Recognize emerging career pathways in AI law, AI governance, and IP practice.
- Develop informed view of technological advancement with legal safeguards



IV Conclusion

The panel discussion on “Democratization of AI and Intellectual Property Related Regulations” successfully brought together diverse perspectives on the ethical, regulatory, and legal dimensions of artificial intelligence in a rapidly transforming global landscape. The deliberations clearly established that the future of AI depends not only on technological advancement but also on inclusive access, principled governance, and adaptive intellectual property frameworks capable of responding to AI-driven innovation. By integrating discussions on democratization, global regulatory standards, inventorship challenges, compliance mechanisms, and responsible investment, the session provided participants with a holistic understanding of the evolving AI ecosystem. The interactive and thought-provoking exchange, ably moderated by Dr. Tanmay Agarwal, ensured a balanced and engaging dialogue throughout both panel sessions. The event concluded with a formal Vote of Thanks delivered by Mr. Vinay Khandelwal, who expressed gratitude to the distinguished panellists, the moderator, the organizing team, and all participants for contributing to the success of this insightful academic engagement.



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 <p>PATRON Prof. [Dr.] H.P. Singh, VSM President The ICFAI University, Jaipur</p>	 <p>Deborah Webster Founder of AmaniLabs, Dubai, United Arab Emirates</p>	 <p>Ademulegun Blessing James Vice President and Chief AI Ethicist, Africa Tech for Development Initiative.</p>
 <p>Ramakrishna Damodharan IP Attorney, Managing Director of ADIPVEN, Malaysia</p>	 <p>Alvin Antony Chief Compliance Officer, GovernAI</p>	<p>MODERATOR Dr. Tanmay Agrawal Assistant Professor of Law, ICFAI Jaipur PhD in AI and Law</p>

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Zoom meeting interface showing a 2x2 grid of participants. The top row shows Tanmay Agrawal and Ramakrishna Damodharan. The bottom row shows Alvin Antony and Dr. H.P. Singh, VSM. The right sidebar lists 78 participants, including Tanmay Agrawal (Co-host), The ICFAI University, Jaipur (Host), ALVIN ANTONY (Co-host), Ramakrishna Damodharan (Co-host), arpit sharma (Co-host), Dr. H.P. Singh, VSM (Co-host), Harish Kumar Verma (Co-host), Aarti ashwal, Aditi Sharma, Akansha Kanwar, and Angel Dhakad. The bottom toolbar shows controls for Audio, Video, Participants (78), Chat, React, Pause/stop recording, More, and Leave. The system tray at the bottom shows the Windows taskbar with various application icons and the date/time: 15:50, 11-02-2026.

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